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| In re Patent Application of |) | MAIL STOP AMENDMENT |
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| Dietmar LERCHE et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 2857 |
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| Application No.: 10/591,701 |) | Examiner: Mischita L. Henson |
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| Filed: July 9, 2007 |) | Confirmation No.: 2957 |
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| For: Method and Device for |) | |
| Characterization of Multiple Samples |) | |
| of One or Various Dispersions |) | |

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

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The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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The attached International Search Report cites U.S. Patent No. 5,095,451 and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0147563. Such documents were cited in the form PTO-892 issued with the Office Action dated October 7, 2008, and as such are not being cited herein.

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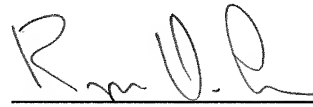
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